

# THE SPEECH

Of the right Honourable

## EDWARD

EARL of

## MANCHESTER,

Lord Chamberlain of His MAJESTIES  
HOUSEHOLD.

Delivered at the Guild-Hall London, on Thursday, being the first  
day of December, 1664. at a Common Hall there held.

Where were also present

The Earl of Bridgewater.  
Lord Bishop of London.  
Lord Berkley of Berkley.  
Lord Moone.  
Lord Ashley.  
Mr. Vice-Chamberlain.  
Mr. Secretary Bennet.  
Viscount Cornbury.  
Sir Thomas Clifford.

Colonel Popham.  
Mr. Waller.  
Colonel Fretzville.  
Sir Philip Warwick.  
Sir John Berkenhead.  
Mr. Ashburnham.  
Sir George Reeve.  
Sir William Lowther.

Members of the honourable Houses of Parliament.

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*My Lord Mayor, and Aldermen, and you the worthy  
Citizens of this great and famous City of London.*



Hope our coming hither this  
day, and upon this occasion,  
will be as satisfactory to you, as  
it is gratefull to us: Some of  
us have formerly addrested our  
selves unto you, by His Majesties Command,  
for the Loan of several and great summes of  
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Money, and we found such a ready compliance with His Majesties desires, as we can give testimony to the Nation, that in your duty and affection to your King, you have out-done all other Cities, even the greatest Cities of the Christian World; and let this honour remain with you, and be entailed to your posterities for ever.

But we come not now to ask, but to give a return of thanks, hearty thanks, from the Lords and Commons assembled in Parliament, for your forwardness in assisting the King.

What you intended as a private and personal duty and kindness to your King, the Parliament owns as a publick service to the Kingdom; and that upon a just account: For His Majesty borrowed not these summes to convert them to His private expences, but to employ them for publick use, to prepare and set forth a Fleet, able to contest for victory against all the naval powers of His insulting and injurious Neighbours: And in order to this design, His Majesty hath impaired His own Stock, by exhausting His own Stores; He hath improved his own Industry, and not spared

spared His own Personal Labour and Diligence: and to compleat and perfect this Design, His Royal Highness, His Majesties dear and only Brother, hath exposed Himself to hazard and danger. And this Prince is of such an accomplished Gallantry, that, through the blessing of God, you need not question a happy Success under so good a Conduct.

All this His Majesty hath done as the Father of His Country, not consulting His own Interest, but for the Honour of the Nation, and to secure and advance the Trade and Commerce of His Kingdoms, in which this City hath so eminent a concernment and advantage, as probably we may conclude this Prophecie will not only be fitly applied, but truly fulfilled in your dayes, unto the City of *London*; *The Harvest of the Rivers is Her Revenue, and she is become a Mart of Nations.*

Thus you see the happiness and advantage of living under such a King, whose generous nature prompts Him to remember and to acknowledge benefits, as well as to receive them.

His Majesty declares to the Parliament what the City of *London* had done for Him, and what

what He had done for the Safety and Honour of the Kingdom, by their kind and cheerfull assistance; and expresse Himself in such a phrase, as makes you partners with Him in all the happy consequences of this great Expedition.

The Parliament having received this account from the mouth of their King, return you their Thanks, with the full consent and the unanimous Votes of both Houses, the Lords and Commons, which I here deliver to you as a Record of their acknowledgements of your Services done to the King.

And now give me leave to offer our Well-wishes to you, That this City may never want the Favour, Countenance, and Protection of such a King; and that His Majesty may alwayes finde the Fidelity, Affection, and Assistance of such a City.

And



And after a great Shout of *GOD SAVE THE KING*, the Lord Chamberlain having presented to the Right Honourable the *LORD MAIOR* an order of both Houses of Parliament, the same was delivered to Mr. *Avery*, Deputy Town-Clerk, who then publicly read the same, and follows in these words, *viz.*

*Die Veneris, 25 Novemb. 1664.*

**O**RDERED by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in Parliament assembled, That the Thanks of both Houses of Parliament be given unto the City of *LONDON* for their forwardness in assisting His Majesty; and in particular, by furnishing Him with several great summes of Money toward His Preparations for the Honour, Safety, and Trade of this Nation.

Jo. Browne, Cleric.  
Parliament.

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And after a great silence, the Lord Chamberlain having presented to the Right Honourable the LORD MAJOR an order of both Houses of Parliament, the same was delivered to Mr. Moore, Deputy Town Clerk, who then publicly read the same, and follows in these words, viz.

Die Novelle des Novemb. 1868.

R D E R E D by the Lord Bishop  
 of London and Temporal, and Com-  
 mons in Parliament assembled, That the  
 Thanks of both Houses of Parliament be  
 given unto the City of LONDON  
 for their forwardness in assisting His  
 Majesty; and in particular by furnishing  
 His Majesty several great Summs of Mo-  
 ney towards His Majesty's Expedition for the Re-  
 covering of the said Kingdom of France,

Jo. P. Davis, Clerk.

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